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**Transmittal Letter to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US)**  
**Concerning a Filing Under 35 U.S.C. 371**

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is a patent application claiming priority under 35 U.S.C. § 371 of International Application No. PCT/CA2004/001885 filed on 18 October 2004 (18.10.2004) claiming priority of Canadian Patent Application No. 2,444,324 filed on 22 October 2003 (22.10.2003).

Title: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MAINTAINING FILAMENTS IN POSITION IN A FILAMENT WINDING PROCESS**

Applicant(s) for DO/EO/US: Bruce L. ELLIOTT

1. This is the **first** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)).
3. The U.S. has been elected (Article 31).
4. A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)) is not required, as the application has been communicated by the International Bureau.
5. The International Application was filed in English.
6. Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)) have not been made and will not be made.

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Enclosed for filing is the following:

7. Executed Declaration of Inventorship.
8. Copy of the International Search Report.
9. Copy of the International Written Opinion.
10. PTO-2038 in the amount of \$450.00.
11. Self-addressed return post card.

Fee Calculation

The fee has been calculated as follows:

For	Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate	Fee
Basic National Fee				\$ 300
Examination Fee				\$ 200
Search Fee (International Search Report Provided )				\$ 400
Total Claims 37 CFR 1.16(c)	15-20 = 0	0	0 x \$50=	\$ 0
Independent Claims 37 CFR 1.16(b)	1-3 = 0	0	0 x \$200=	\$ 0
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS=				\$ 900
Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2.				\$ 450
TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED				\$ 450

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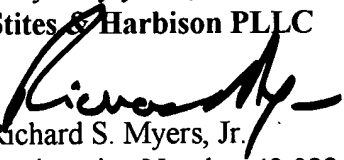
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